

Lewistown JSECMeeting Minutes January 10, 2013

Prepared by Kristin Rutten, JSEC Coordinator

In Attendance

Oscar Cantu Roy Jones Kristin Rutten Karen Sweeney Terri Hall

Jeff Evans Steve Phillips Lauri Tognetti Stephen Taylor

Previous Month's Meeting Minutes

Steve moved to approve the minutes for the December 13, 2012, meeting. Terri seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Stephen shared a Profit & Loss Report for 2012 and noted our current bank balance is \$3,568.92, which represents an increase of \$50 over the prior month. Our net loss for the year was -\$296.48. Steve made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Jeff seconded. Motion carried.

JSEC Coordinator's Report

No report.

Job Service Report

Roy shared the December Employment Snapshot, noting that Montana's unemployment rate is currently 5.8%. Job Service has 49 openings listed at the present time.

Old Business

New Member Recruitment: Oscar reported that he was a guest on the radio on January 8th, during which he promoted JSEC membership. Terri noted that Sandra Westhoff from Bank of the Rockies contacted her following the radio broadcast to express interest in becoming a member. Jeff said he has talked with Brenton Melton from Basin State Bank. Roy has talked to Jodi Ruckman at Huffine, McMillan, Arntzen & Ruckman, while Oscar has invited Rachel Gundlach from Wells Fargo Bank. Members are encouraged to continue with recruiting efforts, with the goal being to grow our committee to at least 10-12 members (15 max).

Steve Beck Seminar: The seminars are tentatively set for Tuesday, April 16th (Effective Communication Skills, 8:30-12:30; student session, 1:00-2:30) and Wednesday, April 17th (Life-Work Balance, 8:30-12:30). We are awaiting confirmation of these dates from Steve Beck. Committed sponsors to date include the News-Argus (Silver: \$500 in advertising space), Hi Heat (Gold: \$1000), and the Yogo Inn (Silver: \$500). Steve made a motion we set ticket prices at \$20; the motion died for lack of a second. After some discussion, it was decided ticket prices will be set at the next meeting, with the expectation they will be between \$10-\$20 each. Roy suggested we work with Steve to provide a handful of the JSEC imprinted notebooks as audience participation giveaways.

Oscar has reserved the Fergus Center for the Performing Arts for the entire week of the sessions and will update the school on the actual dates, in addition to talking to Fergus and area superintendents about the student session before our next meeting. Oscar has gotten a tentative commitment from the Fergus County Weed District to be a Bronze sponsor (\$250), but is planning to talk to the Fergus County department heads in hopes of securing a larger overall commitment. He will also contact Wells Fargo, Don's Store, and the Central Montana Co-Op.

Karen has requested sponsorship from Northwestern Energy but has not received a response yet; she will follow-up with them in addition to contacting Realty Title, First National Bank, Albertsons, and CMMC.

Roy has talked to Huffine, et al, but has not received a definite answer yet. He will follow-up with them, in addition to contacting Sports, Inc., Joe Eckhardt, and the City of Lewistown.

Steve will contact Century Construction.

Terri will contact KXLO-KLCM, True Value Hardware, Bank of the Rockies, Lewistown Sports, Central Montana Community Health Center, and Courtesy Motors.

Lauri will contact Nexus.

Jeff will contact Rindal Oil, Sparks Auto Plaza, Basin State Bank, and Lewistown Insurance.

Stephen will contact Ace Hardware.

New Business

ABC Clinic: Terri made a motion that we accept the proposed date for our next Assistance for Business Clinic, which is September 19, 2013, and that we hold the clinic at the Yogo Inn, charge \$50 per person, and that JSEC will be listed as the sole sponsor. Stephen seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting Time Change: Kristin requested we change the usual meeting time to accommodate a new but consistent conflict in her schedule. Steve made a motion to make noon on the 1st Thursday of each month the new meeting time. Stephen seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for <u>Thursday, February 7th</u> at <u>Noon</u> at the Lewistown Job Service. The agenda will include election of officers.